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1. SUMMARY: AS INSTRUCTED, US REP DISCUSSED DEPARTMENT' S SUGGESTED DISCLAIMER LANGUAGE (REF A) WITH ALLIES AND FRG PRIOR TO AND DURING LENGTHY MARCH 23 BONN GROUP MEETING. USING DEPARTMENT TEXT AS MODEL, NEW COMPROMISE LANGUAGE WAS DEVELOPED, TAKING ACCOUNT OF FACT THAT BRITISH AND FRENCH INTEND TO VOTE FAVORABLY ON GDR APPLICANTIONS TO ITU AND UPU PRIOR TO APRIL 2 WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE,
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WHILE US MAY NOT HAVE VOTED BY THAT TIME. GIVEN THEIR INTENTION TO VOTE QUICKLY, FRENCH AND BRITISH ASKED FOR EXPEDITIOUS DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATION OF COMPROMISE TEXT. END SUMMARY.

2. BRITISH , FRENCH AND GERMANS ALL SAID THEY HAD APPROVAL FROM CAPITALS FOR DISCLAIMER LANGUAGE DEVELOPED REF (B). UK AND FRENCH REPS ALSO SAID THEY WERE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO SETTLE QUICKLY ON DISCLAIMER LANGUAGE, AS THEY WISHED TO VOTE FAVORABLY ON GDR APPLICATIONS TO ITU AND UPU PRIOR TO APRIL 2 TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE IN GENEVA, WHICH GDR MIGHT ATTEND (REFS C AND D). (THE FRENCH AND BRITISH WANTED TO AVOID GIVING THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY WERE BLOCKING GDR ATTENDANCE BY DELAYING THEIR VOTED ON ENTRY; THE FRENCH IN ANY CASE HAVE ALREADY TOLD THE CZECHS AND SOVIETS IN PARIS THAT THEY INTEND TO SUPPORT THE GDR APPLICATIONS).

3. AS BRITISH AND FRENCH WISH TO VOTE WITHIN NEXT WEEK ON GDR APPLICATIONS TO ITU AND UPU, THEY WOULD STILL PLAN TO SUBMIT VOTES AND DISCLAIMERS SIMULTANEIOUSLY. IN VIET OF FACT THAT US HAS T YET MADE DECISION ON HOW IT WILL VOTE, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE US AND UK/ FRENCH DISCLAIMERS WOULD BE WORDED DIFFERENTLY. US TEXT WHICH WAS APPROVED FOR RECOMMENDA-TION TO CAPITALS BY ALLIES AND FRG FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADMISSION OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC TO THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOM-MUNICATIONS UNION (UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION), THE GOVERN-MENT OF (BLANK) WISHES TO RECALL THAT FRENCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE SPECIALRIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS (POSTAL TRAFFIC) TO AND FROM BERLIN, WHICH ARE REFLECTED IN QUADRIPARTITIE AGREEMENTS, DECISIONS AND PRACTICES. THESE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES WILL IN NO WAY BE AFFECTED BY MEMBERSHIP OF THE GDR IN THE ITU (UPU, NOR WILL SUCH MEMBERSHIP AFFECT IN ANY WAY ESTABLISHED ALLIED DECISIONS AND PRACTICES WITH REGARD TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS (POSTAL TRAFFIC), NOR IMPLY ANY CHANGE IN THE POSITION OF THE (BLANK) GOVERNMENT CONCERNING THE STATUS OF BERLIN. THE (BLANK) GOVERNMENT WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE ITU
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(THE SWISS GOVERNMENT) WOULD INFORM ITS MEMBER STATES

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(THE MEMBER STATES OF THE UPU) OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS NOTE. END TEXT.

UK AND FRENCH NOTES WOULD HAVE INITIAL WORDING ALONG LINES REF (B) TO REFLECT ACCOMPANYING FAVORABE VOTE ON GDR APPLICATIONS. UPU DISCLAIMER WOULD FOLLOW ITU MODEL (REF A); WORDING CHANGES ARE REFLECTED IN ABOVE TEXT.

4. IN REVIEWING US DRAFT, FRENCH FELT DISCLAIMERS SHOULD COVER NOT ONLY ALLIED RIGHTS AND SPECIFIC PRACTICES, BUT ALSO CERTAIN FRG PRACTICES WHICH HAVE DEVELOPED UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF ALLIED DECISIONS. THIS, THE FRENCH RECALLED, WAS POINT STRESSED BY FONOFF REP BRAEUTIGAM WHEN INITIAL FRG PRESENTATION TO ALLIES WAS MADE ON THIS SUBJECT. (SEE BONN' S 16308.) THE FRENCH REP SAID DEPARTMENT' S LANGUAGE, SPECIFYING ALLIED RIGHTS, DIMINISHED VALUE OF DISCLAIMERS FOR FRG. THE BRITISH AND FONOFF REPS SUPPORTED THIS VIEW.

5. THE UK REP SUBMITTED DRAFT SECOND SENTENCE IN TEXT (ABOVE) BASED ON TWO OBJECTIONS TO DEPARTMENT' S TEST. (A) BERLIN AND WSB: HE FELT THAT PHRASE QUOTE IN BERLIN AND BETWEEN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AND THE FRG UNQUOTE, OR SAME PHRASE AS MODIFIED IN USBER 510, COULD BE SEEN BY GDR AS ATTEMPT TO ASSUME CERTAIN COMMUNICA-TION RIGHTS FOR EMBASSIES IN EAST BERLIN. THESE RIGHTS WILL BE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE FRENCH AND BRITISH NEGOTIA-TIONS WITH GDR. (B) QD: THE US REP REVIEWED FOR OTHERS DEPARTMENT' S VIEWS ON INADVISABILITY OF EMPLOYING QD LANGUAGE IN DISCLAIMERS. BRITISH, SUPPORT BY FRENCH AND GERMANS, ARGUED THAT THEY FELT QD LANGUAGE WOULD BE PREFERABLE PRECISELY BECAUSE IT WOULD BE THE LEAST CONTENTIOUS; THE BRITISH REASONED QD LANGUAGE MIGHT HAVE BETTER CHANCE OF EVOKING NO SOVIET RESPONSE.

6. COMMENT: BRITISH AND FRENCH BOTH APPROACHED US AFTER BONN GROUP MEETING TO URGE THAT DEPARTMENT GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATON TO THE NEW TEXT, IN WHICH THEY HAVE TRIED TO ACCOMMODATE THEIR POSITION AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE TO THAT OF DEPARTMENT. WE WERE TOLD THAT LONDON AND CONFIDENTIAL

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PARIS BOTH HAVE INDICATED THEY WOULD APPRECIATE QUICK RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE. WE WOULD RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT APPROVAL FOR NEW TEXT IN VIEW NEED FOR EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING. HILLENBRAND

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